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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

CATHY A. CATTERSON, CLERK U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

JAN C. SHANNON,

Petitioner,

v.

COMMISSIONER OF INTERNAL REVENUE,

Respondent.

No. 05-76135

Tax Ct. No. 22848-04L

MEMORANDUM*

Appeal from a Decision of the United States Tax Court

Submitted September 11, 2006**

Before: PREGERSON, T.G. NELSON, and GRABER, Circuit Judges.

Jan C. Shannon appeals pro se from the Tax Court's decision, entered after trial, permitting the Commissioner of Internal Revenue to proceed with a collection action for tax years 1999 and 2002 related to the purchase and sale of real property. We have jurisdiction pursuant to 26 U.S.C. § 7482. We review a

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^{**} The panel unanimously finds this case suitable for decision without oral argument. *See* Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2).

Tax Court's findings of fact for clear error and its legal conclusions de novo.

Charlotte's Office Boutique, Inc. v. Comm'r, 425 F.3d 1203, 1211 (9th Cir. 2005).

We affirm.

At trial, Shannon conceded the validity of the underlying tax deficiency and did not identify any errors in the administrative hearing. Shannon maintained, as he does on appeal, that the collection action should not proceed because various third parties involved in selling the property to him perpetrated fraud. As the Tax Court noted in its decision, "Although the petitioner may have a cause of action against the previous owner, title company, and other entities, this issue is not relevant for purposes of determining whether collection may proceed." Under these circumstances, the Tax Court did not err by permitting the Commissioner to proceed with the collection action.

AFFIRMED.